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get in there and
work him"***

The Southern California DX Club Newsletter est. 1947

The Southern California DX Club is a group of dedicated men and women active in the amateur radio community who enjoy communicating over the air with other radio amateurs around the world.

The newsletter is published every month and is released to it's members on about the first of each month. Amateur and DX related letters, news and pictures are welcome and will be published as time and space permit.

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Meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM except April, June and December.

Please check the club web site for events and details at
<http://www.scdxc.org>

If you are in the area please say hello on our repeater
W6AM/R145.48,(-) 100Hz PL



NEXT MEETING

September 10, 2009, 1930 HRS

. Guest Speaker Randy Johnson W6SJ

Dxpeditioning "Light" in The Bahamas

. Shall We Stay or Shall We Go?

Is there a Change of Venue in the Wind?

. Meet Peter Juul, W6PJ

Arnie Introduces DXer and Fellow Member

. Mel Hughes RPV Hero Award!

Mel Receives a Hero Award for His Many Years of Service to Rancho Palos Verdes

. 701YGF Takes Members to the Top!

With the ARRL Accepting 701YGF for DXCC Credit
Several Ascend to the Top of the Honor Roll!

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THE PREZ SEZ

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Hi Everyone....A lot has been going on in this last month.

I would like to start out by addressing our meeting place at Syd Khronenthal Park. We were notified by the City that they would be raising our fees above what the club feels we can afford. So we have been in a scramble to find a new meeting place. Mel - K6SY has worked very hard to come up with alternative locations. One being his work place. Other places have had large fee increases due to the hard economic times. As it stands right now - we will be at staying at Syd Khronenthal Park at our regular meeting place in Culver City until the City Council takes it up for re-consideration. So everyone needs to watch the BULLetin for any future news regarding this issue.

I want to thank Bill Kendrick - N6RV for holding off on the newsletter until we could get an answer to this. I think we all need to say thanks to Mel - K6SY for all his hard work in trying to resolve this matter for the club!

I have been informed by our repeater chairman - Edgar - N6OU... that he has turned off our club repeater due to the fire at Mount Lukens. This will remain off until a site assessment can be made on the repeater. This will be at least a week.

Don't forget our September meeting of the SCDXC. Arnie N6HC sent out a great invitation to everyone telling about our speaker - Randy Johnson W6SJ and his experience as a DXpeditioner.

There will be snacks and a raffle as usual. Hope to see all of you there and perhaps you would like to bring a friend along? The meetings are fun, informative and open to everyone. Let's try and get some new people interesting in DXing and the club!

That's all for now folks.....see you at the meeting!

Keep in touch via the news BULLetin for any updates.

Tom Paquette - N6OT
President SCDXC

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Fall is approaching and that means the beginning of the contest season. There are many DX contests that will be held in September, including the All-Asian DX Contest– SSB (9/6-7), Russian RTTY DX Contest (9/6), WAE DX Contest – SSB (9/13-14), Scandinavian Activity Contest – CW (9/20), CIS DX RTTY Contest (9/20-21) and the big one – CQWW DX RTTY (9/27-28). These contests are great opportunities to work a “new one” since there should be increased activity on the air each weekend. To check out what other contests will be run and to find out the rules of participation, go to www.hornucopia.com.

I trust everyone had their fill of camaraderie and delectable treats at The Bash hosted by Jim Stevenson, W6YI. Thank you so much, Jim, for a wonderful time.

Our guest speaker at the August general meeting, Dick Norton, N6AA, gave us a comprehensive run down on the latest happenings at the League. His recounting of the 3X5A DXpedition was interesting. Thank you, Dick, for doing a great job as ARRL SW Division Director and for “being there” year in and year out for the DX community to activate another “rare” one. We appreciated your presentation at the general club meeting.

The lucky club members who won raffle prizes in August included The “IRDs” who scored a utility drop light, a Heil headphone carrying case and a Heil headset. Don Bostrom (N6IC) won a switching power supply and a SCDXC tee-shirt. David Greenhut (N6HD) took home two SCDXC tee-shirts. “Bubba” Paquette (W6ZPL) got lucky and is now the proud owner of a two-position coaxial antenna switch and a Heil foot switch. Mel Hughes (K6SY) can now do some repair work at his station with the new soldering iron that he won. George Jacob (N6VNI) will never have to worry about a dead truck battery now that he’s won a solar panel that can plug into his cigarette lighter and charge his battery. Congratulations to all the lucky August raffle winners.

The guest speaker for our September general meeting will be Randy Johnson, W6SJ (aka AA6SS, N6IMP and C6AWS). He plans to give us a bird’s eye view of Dxpeditioning “light” in the Bahamas and teach us a little about bone fishing, too! What an interesting combination of hobbies. Randy was first licensed in 1951 at the age of 14. He let his amateur radio ticket lapse when he discovered girls and cars. Forty-five years later he remembered the joy that amateur radio brought him and in 2001 he earned his Extra Class license and returned to the airwaves. He lives in the antenna-restricted community of Corona del Mar and operates CW at low power with stealth antennas.

Congratulations to Tim, K6GEP, on earning the 5B-DXCC plaque. This was a monumental achievement for Tim given that it was accomplished at low power and with less than optimal antennas. Imagine what Tim could accomplish with an amplifier and high, directional aerials!

With the acceptance of the validity of the 7O1YGF DXpedition by the DXCC Desk at ARRL, Charlie Spetnagel (W6KK) final achieved #1 Honor Roll. Way to go, Charlie! Other #1 Honor Roll inductees include W6HT and K6YUI. Any more out there?

I have tried to notify all eligible club members about the requirements for the Clipperton award. The award will be presented at the April, 2010 International DX convention in Visalia. If you did not get an e-mail from me and you think you are eligible to compete for this dandy plaque, please contact me at the e-mail address listed above.

Our club was well represented at the ARRL Southwest Division convention held in Santa Barbara on August 15th. Among those spotted by yours truly were N6AA (Dick Norton) at the ARRL booth, N6QQ (John Schroeder) at the DXCC QSL card checking booth, NK6A (Don Minkoff), AA6A (Rob Greenstein), W6AQ (Dave Bell), W6AUG (Len Svidor), K6FG (Mark Weiss), Skip (KJ6Y) and Marilyn (N6GIL) Bolnick, K6GXO (Keith Hoyt), N6IC (Don Bostrom), K6JW (Jeff Wolf), KQ6K (Ed Pierce), KT6LA (Jonathan Fox), N6LL (Paul Gordon), Bill (N6MXU) and Leida (N6MXC) Erickson, Dan (N6PEQ) and Kristin (K6PEQ) Dankert, Kristine (KC6TOD) and George (N6VNI) Jacob, Rich (W6VX) and Pat (W6VXN) Bongiorno, Sandy (WA6WZN) and Fried (WA6WZO) Heyn, NY6Y (Gary Apgar), KN6Y (Steve Wardlaw), K6YR (Bob Griffin), W6CBA (Vi Barrett) and N6HD (David Greenhut). I apologize if I forgot anyone else who was in attendance. The convention will be held in San Diego next year.

The September issue of QST references several of our club members. Our esteemed editor N6RV (Bill Kendrick) is recognized for placing fifth in the 2009 ARRL DX Phone contest in the West Coast Region – low power category. Two photos of N6OX (Bob Grimmick) are featured in the *How's DX?* column regarding his trip to ZY0F (Fernando de Noronha). In the *Special Events* column is an announcement that Mark McMullen (KM6HB) will be operating K6P from September 18 – 1800 Z through September 20 – 1700 Z to honor National POW-MIA Recognition Day.

David Greenhut, N6HD, was elected to the Section Manager position of the ARRL Los Angeles Section. He defeated Phineas Icenbice, W6BF, who was the SCM for eleven straight terms of office since October 1, 1987. David has been a licensed radio amateur for thirty-five years. He has a strong interest in ARES and emergency communications. Since 2006, he has served as the District Emergency Coordinator for the northwest district of Los Angeles county. Congratulations David!

As you can appreciate from the column this month, our club members are maintaining a high profile locally, nationally and internationally. Keep up the good work and continue to have fun. I hope to see you at the September meeting.

73 de Arnie N6HC
Vice-President, Southern California DX Club



THE EDITOR

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Whew! It has been a hard pull this week. It serves me right for taking a few weeks off in Hawaii. I returned home knowing that in a mere 5 days I would have to build a complete mail list and publish the September issue of the BULLETin! I forgot how mind bending it is to hunt for that last incorrect email address after poring over and over the lists of call signs and email addresses. I think I have it in the bag! If anyone comes up short let me know. If you want the announcement sent to a different address let me know. If you do not want to receive the announcement email... let me know!

So the summer DX doldrums are well underway. It is a good time however to get out there and fix the old antennas. Hmm... that reminds me. Hey Skip when can you come over and help overload my tower. I only have another rotating ring and 20 more square feet of wind load to add. Gee! I really wish I could move out to Escondido and grow a few towers. I heard I missed a great bash. Our former president, W6YI, (ex KM6B) really rolled out the red carpet! Thanks Jim...I was on da beach. Let me think hanging on the beach in Hawaii or the swapping stories at the summer bash...that truly is a tough choice. The wife wins!

As always we made our trek to Oahu's north shore. I take Beckie to this romantic view in Haleiwa right up on the hillside past Waimea. Of course you really have to understand what true beauty is. Here, let me show a couple pictures and you will see what I mean.



Now that is plain beautiful. Notice how the VK9N pines and the KH6 clouds accentuate the naturally occurring structures in the foreground? This is the former QTH of N6VI. The new owner, KH6YY, has a great website (<http://www.kh6yy.net/>) with descriptions and lots of pictures. Do any SCDXC members contest here? It looks ideal! How about a story?

Please forgive the brevity of this issue. After a few publications I will get the hang of the process and the content will increase.

73, Aloha, and Mahalo! de N6RV

RUMORS ON THE BAND

A plethora of announcements, rumors, and serious DX fun

We have received several requests to make the BULLETin more DX-centric. In an effort to accomplish this task we are adding this column. It will be built up over the next few months. Each month I will highlight one aspect of DXing.

We will start out this month with popular DX websites and a list of DXpeditions that are just on our horizon. In today's information age every hint or whisper of DX activity can be found in many places on the web. The concern I have is can the BULLETin provide information more timely than what is at our fingertips... maybe not. What we can do is tailor the information for the Southern California area focusing on DXpeditions and information that would be significant for hams in our locale.

Furthermore some of us are not the greatest when it comes to computers and the internet. If you have internet access and are a little intimidated by it I have included my favorite DX websites below. They are easy to navigate and filled with great information. I have included a brief description of each. I encourage everyone to visit these sites. Furthermore I strongly recommend subscribing to a DX newsletter. The Daily DX is my personal choice. It is emailed daily and loaded with great information.

N0HR DXpedition Map <http://www.n0hr.com/wk34/>

The webpage presentation is very nice. It contains a world map. The map is overlaid with the current DXpeditions. Place the cursor on the dot and a text box opens which describes the DXpedition. It includes the dates, bands, antennas and other pertinent information. There is a slider on the bottom. As you move it forward it advances the date and updates the map. It is very nice however for some it may be easier to see the DXpeditions listed in a table format.

The DX Zone http://www.dxzone.com/catalog/DX_Resources/

The DX Zone is the one stop shop for DXing. It has links to other sites that contain information on beacons, DXCC, DXpeditions, Club Newsletters and the like. It even has a shack rental link for those interested in a ham DX vacation. Take some time to go through all the links. In no time you will be zooming around the world... well at least on the internet. Remember these are tools to enhance your DX experience. Don't get lost in the tools!

The Daily DX www.dailydx.com/

Bernie, W3UR, has been relentlessly ferreting out every scrap of DX information for many years. His email newsletter, The Daily DX, has been my greatest source of information. Some people read the newspaper with their morning coffee. I read The Daily DX. Even when the bands are dead Bernie's newsletter is alive with information. His webpage is also a great resource. Across the top of the webpage are links to the latest DXpedition web pages. There is also a calendar that lists all the future DXpeditions. Also on the web page is a favorite sites link. Again there are massive links to other web sites that are full of information.

Announced DX Operations

<http://www.ng3k.com/misc/adxo.html>

NG3K has put together a fairly up to date and complete list of worldwide DX operations. Furthermore there are links to past operations organized by year going well past 1996. This is a great resource for finding those operations that did not reply to your QSL many years ago. There is a spot link that is a macro to DXWATCH.com which brings up the most recent spots.

DXing.info

<http://www.dxing.info/dxpeditons/>

This is another great resource filled with DX information even a tutorial with a glossary. The announcements are added by the DXpeditors. At first blush they seem to be local or IOTA type trips.

DX 425 News

<http://www.425dxn.org/dxped/>

The Italian DX Newsletter has a website that also is full of great information. It is another great resource for DXpeditors as well as information from the European point of view.

There are so many other websites it would be impossible to cover them all. I would like to mention Craig Gullickson's webpage <http://www.geocities.com/n6ed/> . Craig has included links to many on line logbooks for past and current DXpeditors.

So through the powers of deduction and the sites listed above here is a list of current DXpeditors that may be of interest to hams in the Southern California area. Next month I will improve and update it. Hopefully this will be useful.

Call	QTH	Start Date	End Date	Information
4W6FR	Timor Leste	Jun-09	Oct-09	VK4FR
4W6AL	Timor Leste	Aug-09	Oct-09	CT1GPQ 40 30 20 17m mainly CW, SSB, RTTY dipole, loops
3B7FQ	Agalega & St. Brandon	Aug-09	Sep-09	3B8FQ 40-10m SSB CW G5RV + vertical
SV9/ WB2GAI/p	Crete	Aug-09	Oct-09	WB2GAI 80-17m
SV5/PA1WLB	Dodecanese	Aug-09	Sep-09	PA1WLB 40m 20m SSB Digital
V5/DK1CE	Namibia	Sep-09	Sep-09	V5/DJ2HD V5/DK1CE V5/DH3WO 40-10m SSB CW
FP/G3ZAY	St Pierre & Miquelon	Sep-09	Sep-09	G3ZAY M0TDG CW SSB
TX5SPA	Austral Islands	Sep-09	Oct-09	FO5QB SP9PT SP3DOI SP3CYY low bands CW SSB RTTYPSK31
FT5GA	Glorioso Island	Sep-09	Oct-09	F5PRU F5IRO F5TLN F5RQQ F4EGS F8CRS F5LPY 160-10m
3D20CR	Conway Reef	Oct-09	Oct-09	DJ7JC DJ8NK DJ9ON DJ9RR DK9KX DL6JGN PA3EWP DJ9HX 160-6m
K4M	Midway	Oct-09	Oct-09	Multi-Op including club members! 160-6m SSB CW RTTY PSK31
TX5SPM	Marquesas Islands	Oct-09	Oct-09	FO5QB SP9PT SP3DOI SP3CYY low bands CW SSB RTTYPSK31

In future BULLETINS the DX website links will be permanently placed on this page. Please use them to gather more information about the DXpeditors listed. Send me your favorite links and I will include them. Next month we will have an article on DX contesting. With contest season coming up it may be worthwhile to dust off those contesting skills and join in the fray.

SPURIOUS OUTPUTS

Comments, Announcements, and Interesting Tid-Bits Submitted by Members

ARRL DX Competition Plaques (N6RV)

The board approved sponsoring two ARRL DX Competition plaques:

CW: World Single Operator Assisted Class
SSB: World Single Operator Assisted Class

The cost is minimal and it is a good way to promote the club. SCDXC already sponsors two CQWW DX Contest plaques. Anyone interested in taking a run for them in 2010? Maybe a Caribbean trip is in order!

TOP OF THE HEAP (N6HC)

Several of our members have just ascended to the top of DXCC. Congratulations to the following:

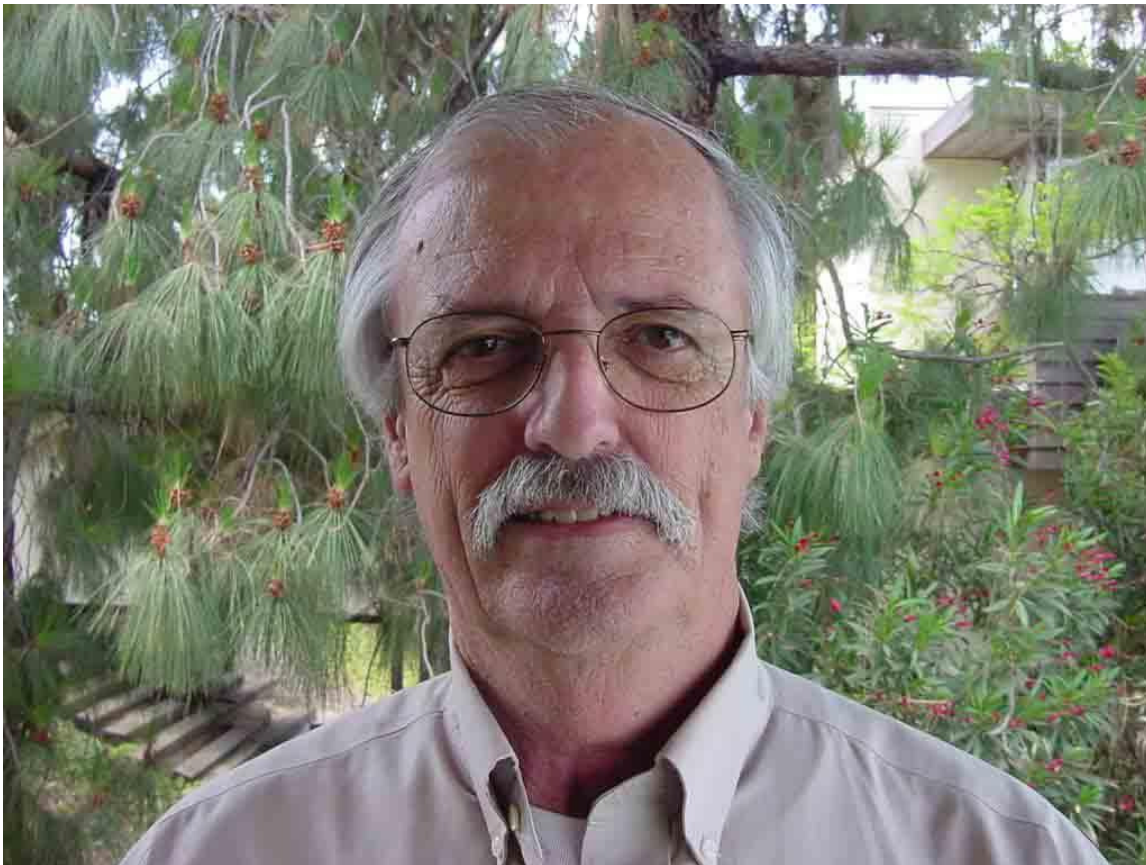
Tom Orr	W6HT
Larry Mallek	K6YUI
Charlie Spetnagel	W6KK

Way to go guys! Now we need to go out and make some new entities!

We should also mention that Larry, K6YUI, recently achieved 160 DXCC and George, N6VNI has broken the DXCC threshold! Congratulations to both may your numbers climb exponentially!

MEMBER PROFILE

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By Arnie Shatz, N6HC
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Pete has been a member of our club for the past two years. He is an avid DXer with 326 confirmed entities. He pursues each elusive DX station by remote operation. The transceiver and antennas are based in a suburb of Phoenix, Arizona at the home of W7KW, Terry Hahn.

Pete was born in 1944 in Buffalo, N.Y. His family moved to Southern California in 1948 and he spent his childhood in Lawndale and Torrance. It was a neighborhood ham radio operator, K6TJE, Dean Hanson, who "Elmered" Pete through his Novice days in 1956. Pete earned the call sign KN6UBH and his first station consisted of a homebrew two-tube transmitter running about 25 watts, an Arc-5 forty-meter receiver and a dipole antenna. Six months later he passed his General class license examination. In 1977, when the two letter "N" calls became available to Extra class ticket holders, Pete made the trip to the FCC office in Long Beach and became N6JE. The vanity program allowed him to change his call sign to a two letter W6 call in 1997 and he became W6PJ.

Pete is a true blue Southern Californian. He earned his BSEE at UCLA and his MSEE at USC (Who do you root for at sporting events, Pete?). He is married and lives in an

antenna-restricted community San Clemente. He has a thirty-seven year old son. Pete is an RF hardware design engineer and is employed by Swiss owned ASCOM, Inc. in Lake Forest.

He is a Life member of ARRL and has been a member of the South Orange Amateur Radio Club (SOARA) for the past 15 years. Because of his expertise in remote operation, he has been invited to speak at local radio clubs. He has also presented a remote operation program at the 2008 International DX Convention in Visalia.

His current home station is very modest. He has a Kenwood TS-2000 that is internet connected and allows authorized individuals to listen, but not transmit, from his San Clemente site. He owns an ICOM 706 MKII G that he can load into multiple attic antennas. He has dipoles for 40/20/17 and 15 meters, a 2-meter vertical and a six-element yagi for 70 cm.

He teamed up with Terry Hahn, W7KW, to develop a remote station in Cave Creek, Arizona which is quite impressive. He has the choice of using either a Flex-5000 or a Kenwood TS-480 with an Alpha 87-A amplifier. The antenna choices start with a five element 6 meter beam at 25 feet, a SteppIR three element beam (6-20 meters) at 85 feet, a two element Cushcraft 40 meter beam at 90 feet, a rotatable 30 meter dipole at 100 feet, an inverted vee for 80 meters and a shunt fed tower on 160 meters. A K9AY receiving loop completes the complement of available antennas, which can all be controlled and selected remotely through a MicroHam interface. The software includes W4MQ internet remote tool kit, Ultra VNC for the remote desktop program, IP Sound for audio and Hamachi for computer networking. Pete can operate SSB, CW and digital with minimal latency issues.

Pete keeps abreast of SCDXC activities through the BULLETin and word of mouth from our Orange county members. It is difficult for him to attend our monthly general meetings due to the locations of his job and home as well as Southern California traffic jams. Although he lives equidistant between the SCDXC and SDDXC clubs, I am gratified that he chose to only join our club. He hopes to be able to attend the Holiday party in December. If you have any questions about "remoting" your station, he will be happy to share his expertise. He may be contacted at W6PJ@arrl.net.

MEMBER PROFILE

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A few members may know of Mel's involvement with Rancho Palos Verdes pertaining to the antenna ordinances. Having lived through that experience I can vouch that having him in our corner provided hams on the hill the opportunity to put up effective antennas. Mel's service to RPV went way beyond amateur radio as you will read in the presentation below.

We all know Mel is not one to sit on his "accolades". He continues to serve on The SCDXC Board as membership chairman. Mel has been and is the current co-chairman for the Visalia International DX Convention. Furthermore in a pinch Mel has volunteered his facilities for meetings when an issue arises with our normal venue. It is an honor to know and work with you Mel!

Please read the following "City Hero" presentation made at the RPV City Council to our own Mel Hughes, K6SY.

Rancho Palos Verdes, CA – July 21, 2009

At this evening's City Council meeting Melvin W. Hughes, K6SY, was presented with the Mayor's "Hero Award" for his many years of service to the City of Rancho Palos Verdes and to Los Angeles County.

Mel, as he prefers to be called, was appointed to the Rancho Palos Verdes Planning Commission in 1976 as a result of his lobbying efforts against the newly formed City's ban on HAM antennas. He served on the Planning Commission for about eight years and was twice Vice Chairman and twice the Chairman. While on the Planning Commission, Mel worked on the City's General Plan and the Local Coastal Specific Plan. The Local Coastal Plan was the first ever approved by the State Coastal Commission.

It took nearly three years but the antenna ban was lifted and replaced with an ordinance allowing HAM antennas, but giving the City the ability to site the tower location for minimum view impact. An article by Dr. Wayne Overbeck, N6NB, detailing the three year battle over antennas titled "PR in Palos Verdes" appeared in the November 1980 issue of *QST*.

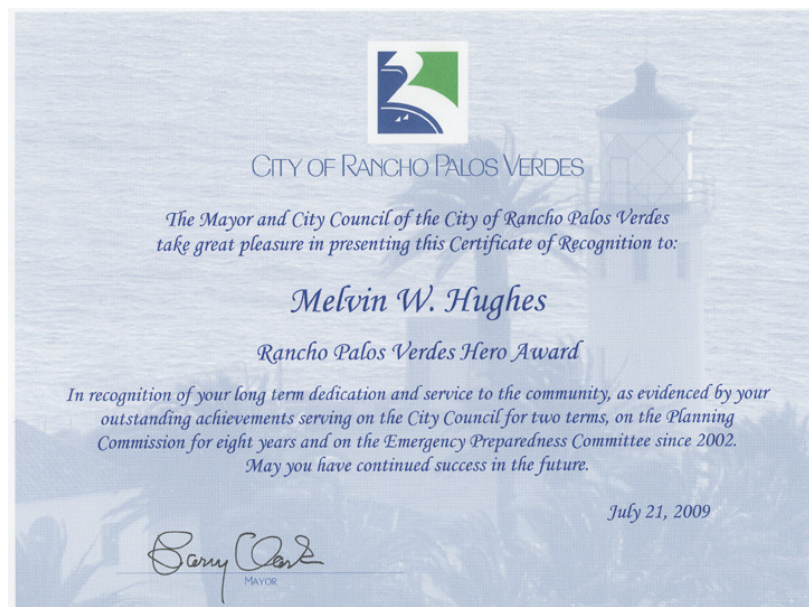
In the fall of 1983 Mel ran for City Council and was elected in December of that year. Mel served two terms on the City Council was twice Mayor Pro Tem and twice Mayor. Mel was Mayor when Marineland closed. It became evident, very quickly, that a replacement Ocean Aquarium, like Marineland, was not in the cards. Under Mel's leadership the City Council began an in-depth study of zoning and land use possibilities for the old Marineland site. A destination Resort was the ultimate choice. It took a long time, but attending the June 2009, Grand Opening of the new resort, Terranea. was a wonderful experience.

One year, while serving on the City Council, Mel spent three weeks of his vacation walking the halls of our State Capital in a successful effort to obtain a 2 million dollar grant to implement methods of stabilization for the Portuguese Bend Landslide. He also spent time in Washington D.C. lobbying Members of both Houses of Congress for landslide abatement funding. He testified before the Finance Committees of both Houses of Congress in a less successful effort to obtain additional funding from the Federal Government for an Army Corps of Engineers' Study of the Portuguese Bend Landslide.

In 1978, while serving on the Rancho Palos Verdes Planning Commission, Mel was appointed by County Supervisor Deane Dana to the Los Angeles County Emergency Medical Services Commission, the agency that oversees all paramedic services, the Paramedic Training Institute, base hospitals, emergency rooms, and the trauma system in Los Angeles County. Mel represented the 4th Supervisorial District until 1994.

Following 9/11, when the City of Rancho Palos Verdes formed a Committee to evaluate the City's preparedness, Mel was appointed to serve on the committee bringing with him his experience and knowledge from the County Emergency Medical System, his experience and knowledge of the City, and his emergency communications training from years of HAM radio service. Mel has served on the Emergency Preparedness Committee as Vice Chair twice and Chairman three times. During the last few years the City's Emergency Communications facilities have been greatly improved and working in conjunction with Neighborhood Watch, newly licensed and trained HAM radio operators are able to provide emergency radio communications at the neighborhood block level.

Mel is a life member and Past President of the Rancho de los Palos Verdes Historical Society. He is also a founding member and past president of the Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club. Mel was first licensed in 1955 as KN6KSY. He currently holds the extra class license, K6SY, and is Trustee for the PVARC license and call, K6PV.



A BIT OF HISTORY

Stories of the SCDXC from the days of yore

IF PICTURES COULD ONLY TALK

Here is another picture from the past. You know, there are a few familiar faces in that group. It was a tradition to take a picture at every holiday party. Can you identify the venue? What year do you think it was? Can you identify this motley crew?

If you can then you should be able to recall a few anecdotes from that year. Write them down before they are lost forever. In fact the one who gives me the best historical account will receive a free dinner at the Roll & Rye or equivalent courtesy of the Editor (that's me)! And if Wayne, W6IRD, who donated the picture, is the only one that submits a story then he will get the free meal! Thanks Wayne for the loan!

Mr. Ed



NEW PRODUCTS

DX Related Products

Tom, Myrick, N6JOJ provided the following website to the Tokyo Ham Fair. There are pictures of the latest offerings from several manufacturers. Here are some that caught my eye. We will have to wait for release information however. All the descriptions are in Japanese!

<http://picasaweb.google.co.jp/ja7ude>



ICOM 9100



YAESU FT 9000 MP (400W)



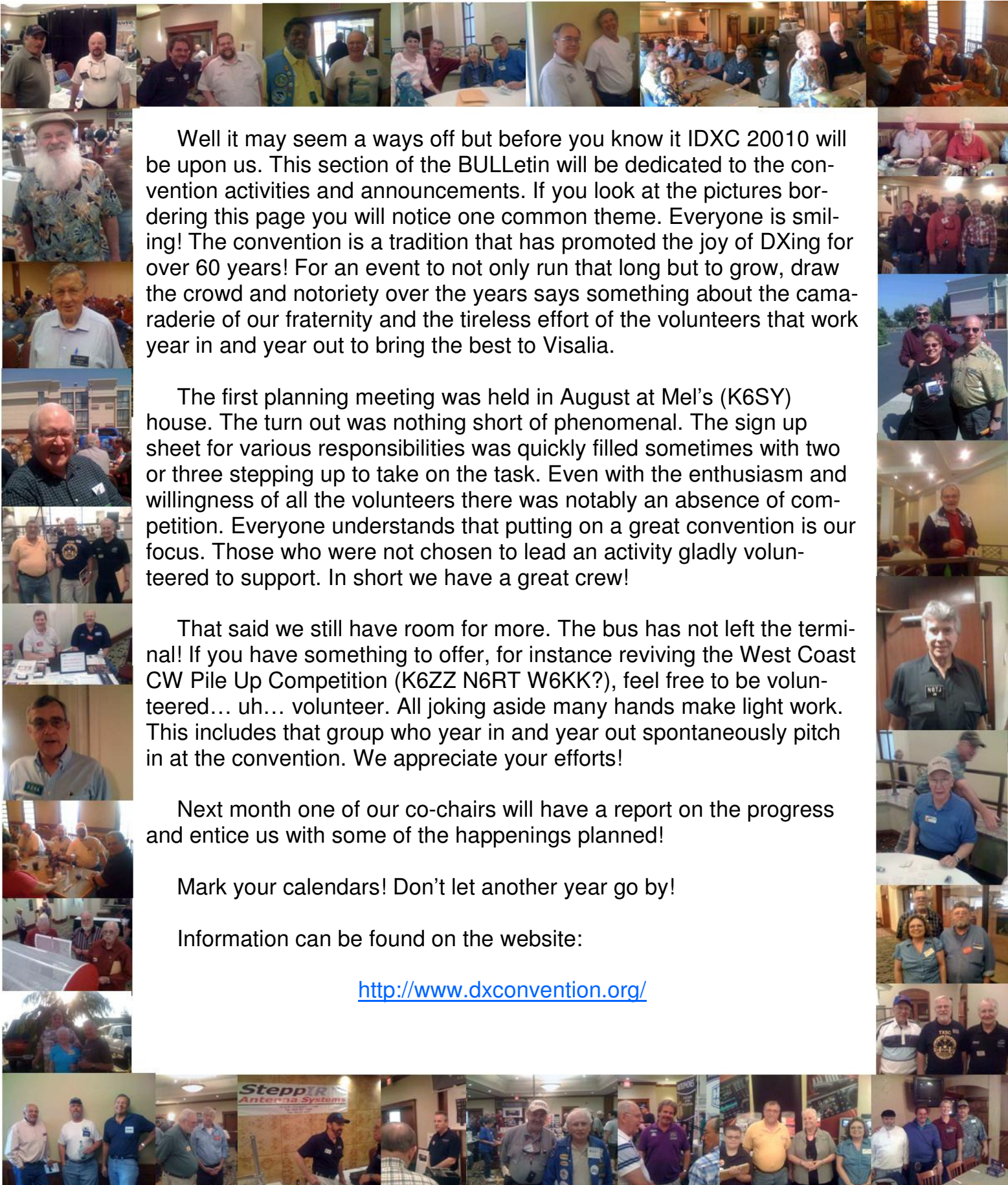
TOKYO HI POWER 5 KW AMP



NEW KENWOOD COMPACT RADIO

2010 INTERNATIONAL DX CONVENTION

A Great Time with Great Friends



Well it may seem a ways off but before you know it IDXC 2010 will be upon us. This section of the BULLETin will be dedicated to the convention activities and announcements. If you look at the pictures bordering this page you will notice one common theme. Everyone is smiling! The convention is a tradition that has promoted the joy of DXing for over 60 years! For an event to not only run that long but to grow, draw the crowd and notoriety over the years says something about the camaraderie of our fraternity and the tireless effort of the volunteers that work year in and year out to bring the best to Visalia.

The first planning meeting was held in August at Mel's (K6SY) house. The turn out was nothing short of phenomenal. The sign up sheet for various responsibilities was quickly filled sometimes with two or three stepping up to take on the task. Even with the enthusiasm and willingness of all the volunteers there was notably an absence of competition. Everyone understands that putting on a great convention is our focus. Those who were not chosen to lead an activity gladly volunteered to support. In short we have a great crew!

That said we still have room for more. The bus has not left the terminal! If you have something to offer, for instance reviving the West Coast CW Pile Up Competition (K6ZZ N6RT W6KK?), feel free to be volunteered... uh... volunteer. All joking aside many hands make light work. This includes that group who year in and year out spontaneously pitch in at the convention. We appreciate your efforts!

Next month one of our co-chairs will have a report on the progress and entice us with some of the happenings planned!

Mark your calendars! Don't let another year go by!

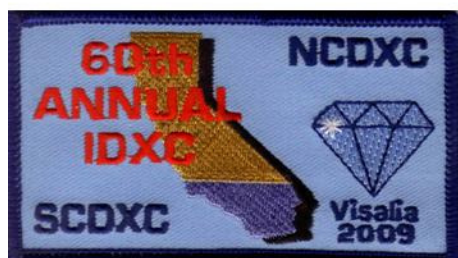
Information can be found on the website:

<http://www.dxconvention.org/>

2010 INTERNATIONAL DX CONVENTION PATCH DESIGN CONTEST



We are kicking off the IDXC 2010 Patch Design Contest early this year! We want to see those creative juices flowing producing the best patch design ever!



The rules are simple. Have the patch design to me by November or at the Holiday Party. We will present the patches to the membership attending the party and they will vote for the winner. Please keep the number of colors down to four or less. This reduces complexity and production costs.

The winner receives a free convention registration!





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